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## TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/786,942 filed February 24, 2004

Applicant: James R. Wilson

Title: SYSTEM & METHOD FOR ASSESSING A SUPPLIER'S

COMPLIANCE WITH A CUSTOMER'S CONTRACT TERMS,

CONDITIONS, AND APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

Group Art Unit: 3624

Attorney Docket No.: 01757-22037.NP

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